

# Time and Spatial Series and Transforms

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- Z- and Fourier transforms
- Gibbs' phenomenon
- Transforms and linear algebra
- Wavelet transforms
- Reading:
  - › Sheriff and Geldart, Chapter 15

# Z-Transform

- Consider a discretized record of  $N$  readings:  $U = \{u_0, u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{N-1}\}$ . How can we represent this series differently?
- The Z transform simply associates with this time series a *polynomial function*:

$$\{u_i\} \rightarrow U(z) = u_0 + u_1z + u_2z^2 + u_3z^3 + \dots$$

- For example, a 3-sample record of  $\{1, 2, 5\}$  is represented by a quadratic polynomial:

$$1 + 2z + 5z^2.$$

- In Z-domain, the all-important operation of *convolution* of time series becomes simple multiplication of their Z-transforms:

$$u_1(t) * u_2(t) \rightarrow U_1(z)U_2(z)$$

# Fourier Transform

- To describe a polynomial function of order  $N-1$ , it is sufficient to specify its values at  $N$  points in the plane of complex variable "z"
- The *Discrete Fourier transform* is obtained by taking the Z-transform at  $N$  points uniformly distributed around a unit circle on the complex plane of  $z$ :

$$U(k) = \sum_{m=1}^{N-1} e^{i \frac{2\pi k}{N} m} u(t_m) \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N-1$$

- Each term ( $k > 0$ ) in the sum above is a *periodic function* (a combination of *sin* and *cos*), with a period of  $N/k$  sampling intervals:

$$e^{i\alpha} = \cos(\alpha) + i \sin(\alpha)$$

- Thus, the Fourier transform expresses the signal as a sum of its frequency components,
  - ♦ Fourier transform also has the property of the Z-transform regarding convolution

# Matrix form of Fourier Transform

- Note that the Fourier transform can be written as matrix multiplication:

$$\begin{pmatrix} U(\omega_1) \\ U(\omega_2) \\ U(\omega_3) \\ \dots \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{F} \begin{pmatrix} u(t_1) \\ u(t_2) \\ u(t_3) \\ \dots \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{F} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{i\omega_1 t_1} & e^{i\omega_1 t_2} & e^{i\omega_1 t_3} & \dots \\ e^{i\omega_2 t_1} & e^{i\omega_2 t_2} & e^{i\omega_2 t_3} & \dots \\ e^{i\omega_3 t_1} & e^{i\omega_3 t_2} & e^{i\omega_3 t_3} & \dots \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \ddots \end{bmatrix}$$

- Inverse:

$$\mathbf{F}^{-1} = \frac{\bar{\mathbf{F}}^T}{N} = \frac{1}{N} \begin{bmatrix} e^{-i\omega_1 t_1} & e^{-i\omega_2 t_1} & e^{-i\omega_3 t_1} & \dots \\ e^{-i\omega_1 t_2} & e^{-i\omega_2 t_2} & e^{-i\omega_3 t_2} & \dots \\ e^{-i\omega_1 t_3} & e^{-i\omega_2 t_3} & e^{-i\omega_3 t_3} & \dots \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \ddots \end{bmatrix}$$

# Resolution of Fourier Transform

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- Resolution matrix:

$$\mathbf{R}_F = \mathbf{F}^{-1}\mathbf{F}$$

- If all  $N$  frequencies are used to reproduce the Fourier-transformed signal, the recovery is accurate:

$$\mathbf{R}_F = \mathbf{I}$$

- If fewer than  $N$  frequencies are used for recovering the signal (Gibbs phenomenon), the resolution is incomplete:

$$\mathbf{R}_F \neq \mathbf{I}$$

# Integral Fourier Transform

- For continuous time and frequency (infinitesimal sampling interval and infinite recording time), Fourier transform reads:

- Forward: 
$$U(\omega) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt u(t) e^{i\omega t}$$

- Inverse: 
$$u(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega U(\omega) e^{-i\omega t}$$

- In practice, the bandwidth (and time) is always limited, and so the actual combination of the forward and inverse transforms is rather:

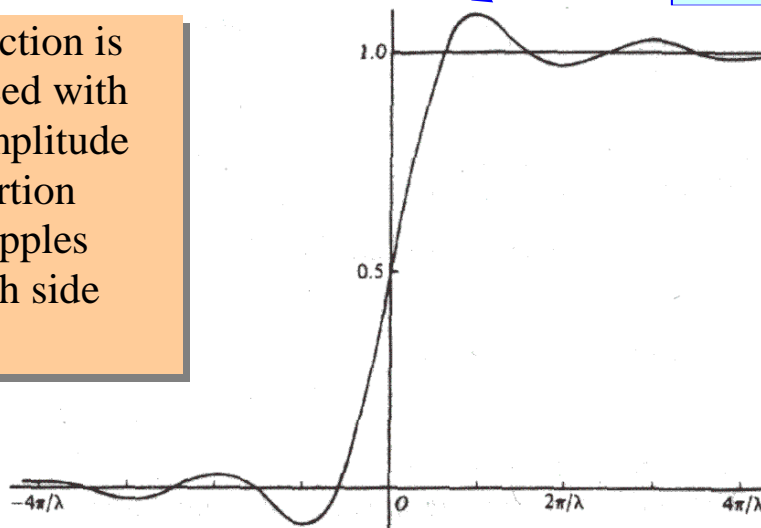
$$u_{\text{band-limited}}(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\omega_{\max}}^{\omega_{\max}} d\omega \left[ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\tau u(\tau) e^{i\omega\tau} \right] e^{-i\omega t}$$

$$u_{\text{band-limited}}(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\tau u(\tau) \left[ \int_{-\omega_{\max}}^{\omega_{\max}} d\omega e^{i\omega(t-\tau)} \right]$$

# Gibbs' phenomenon

- At a discontinuity, application of the Fourier forward and inverse transform (with a limited bandwidth), results in ringing.

Step function is reproduced with ~18% amplitude distortion and ripples on each side

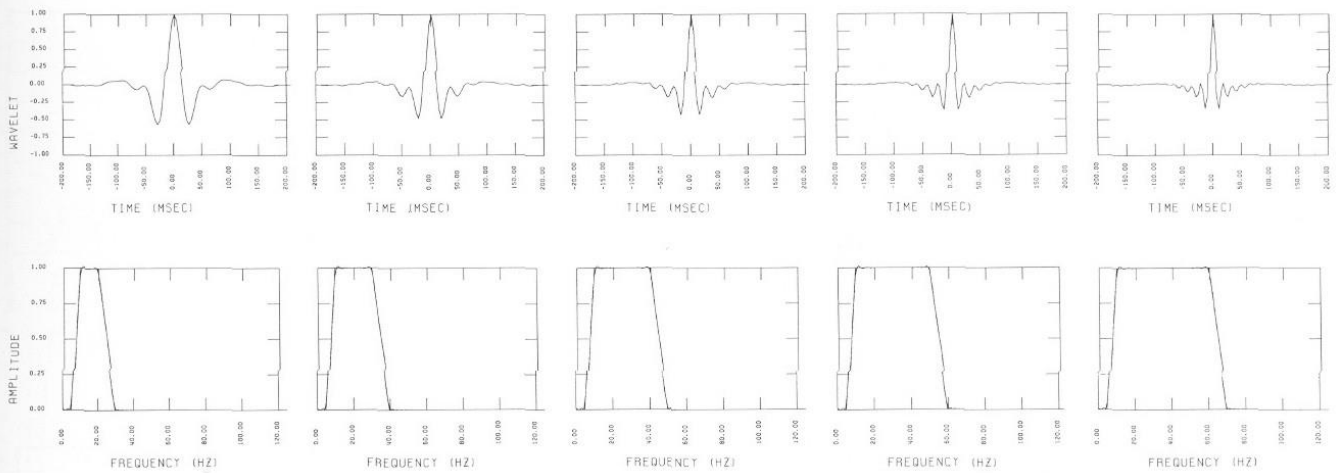


- This is important for constructing time and frequency windows
  - Boxcar windows create ringing at their edges.
  - “Hanning” (cosine) windows are often used to reduce ringing:

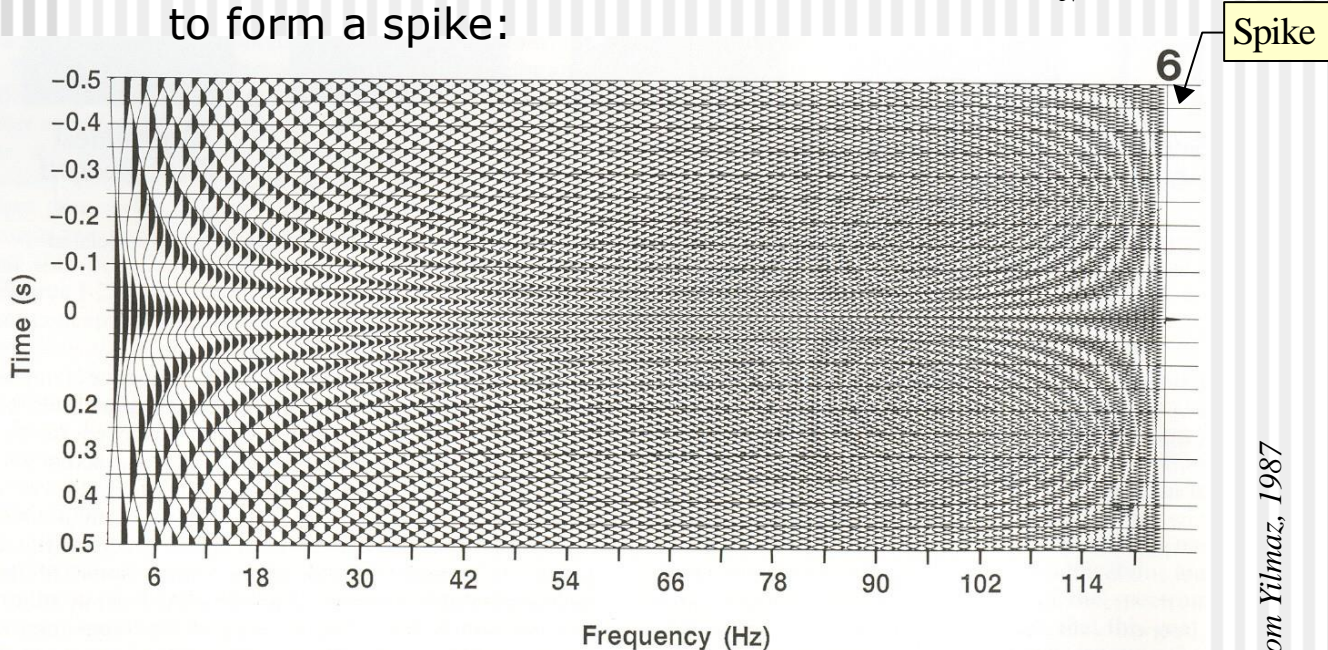
$$H_{\Delta t}(t) = \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 - \cos \frac{\pi t}{\Delta t} \right)$$

# Spectra of Pulses

- For a pulse of width  $T$  s, its spectrum is about  $1/T$  Hz in width:

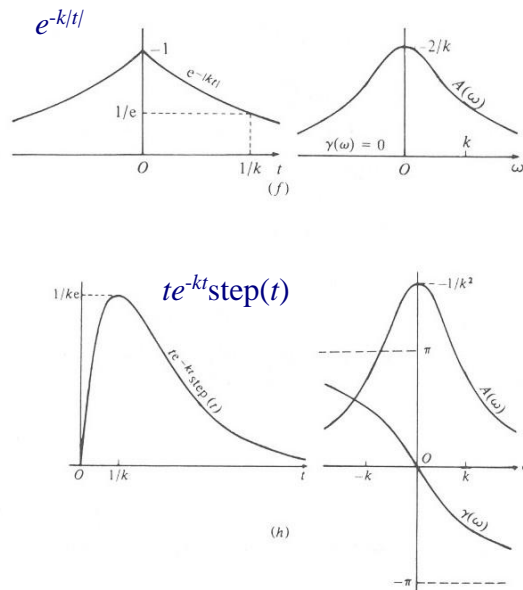
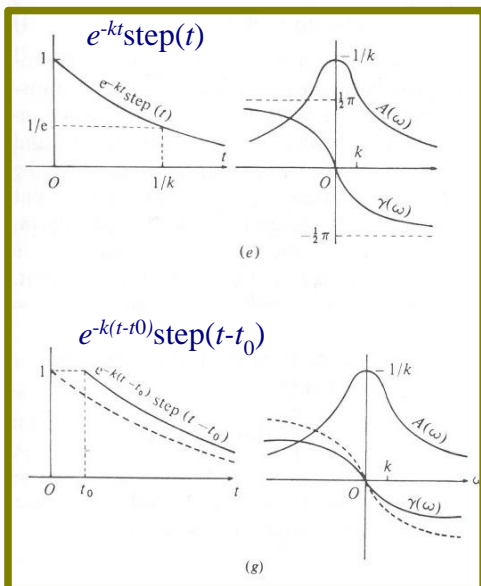
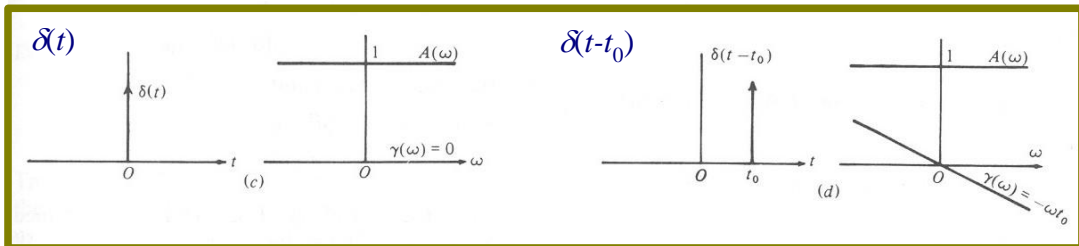
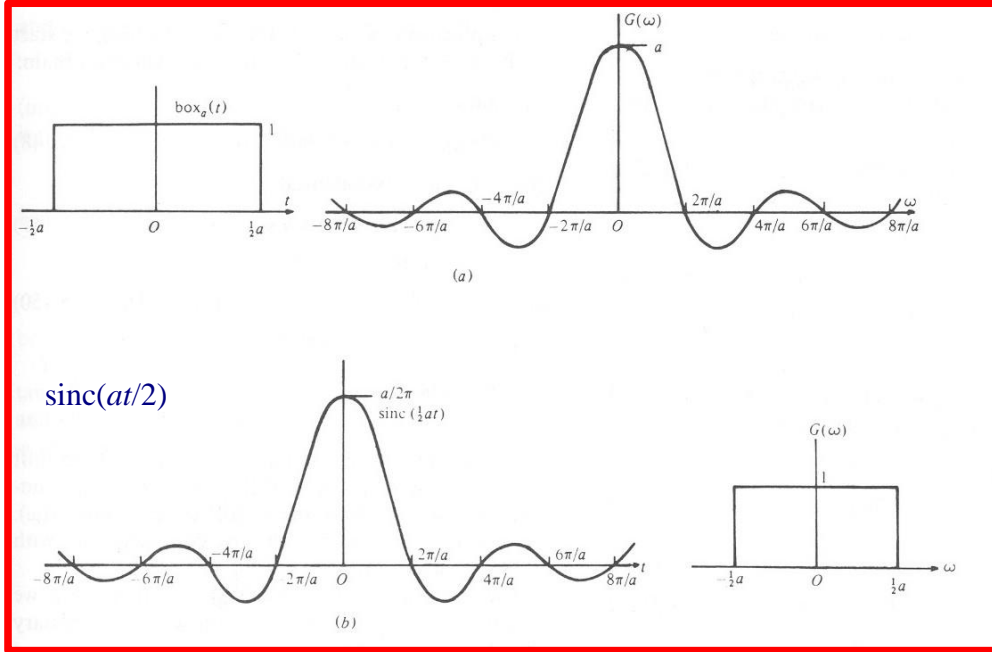


- Equal-amplitude (co)sinusoids from 0 to  $f_N$  add up to form a spike:





# Sample Fourier Transforms<sup>3</sup>



● Compare the transforms within the boxes...

# Wavelet transforms

- Like the inverse Fourier transform, *wavelet decomposition* represents the time-domain signal by a combination of *wavelets* of some desired shapes:

$$\begin{pmatrix} u(t_1) \\ u(t_2) \\ u(t_3) \\ \dots \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f_1(t_1) & f_2(t_1) & f_3(t_1) & \dots \\ f_1(t_2) & f_2(t_2) & f_3(t_2) & \dots \\ f_1(t_3) & f_2(t_3) & f_3(t_3) & \dots \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \ddots \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \\ \dots \end{pmatrix}$$

Wavelet shapes

Wavelet amplitudes

- Ideally, wavelets should form a *complete orthonormal basis*:

$$\sum_{k=0}^{N-1} f_i(t_k) f_j(t_k) = \delta_{ij}$$

exp(...) functions used in Fourier transforms satisfy this property

although this is not always necessary

- Usually, functions  $f(t)$  represent time-scaled and shifted versions of some "wavelet"  $W(t)$